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1. ALTHOUGH TASS REPORTED TONGA AND USSR HAD AGREED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN OCTOBER 1975, TONGAN PRESS DID NOT ANNOUNCE DECISION UNTIL JANUARY 22, 1976, EDITION OF TONGA CHRONICLE, WHEN IT WAS REPORTED THAT COUNSELOR OF SOVIET EMBASSY IN WELLINGTON, ALEXEY P. MAKAROV, HAD BEEN IN TONGA THE PREVIOUS WEEK ON OFFICIAL VISIT.

2. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM ARTICLE (UNNECESSARY WORDS OMITTED): QTE AS TONGA HAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH USSR, MAKAROV MET WITH PRIMIN TO DISCUSS FORTHCOMING VISIT OF RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR TO FORMALLY PRESENT CREDENTIALS TO KING...MAKAROV WAS DIRECTED TO PAY VISIT TO MINISTRY OF LABOR, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES...MAKAROV LEFT BEHIND LITERATURE ON PRODUCTS EXPORTED BY RUSSIA...ANY LOCAL IMPORTERS INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT THE RANGE OF PRODUCTS AND PRICES ARE INVITED TO CONTACT MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNQTE.

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